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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review mailed on January 18, 2006, the instant response being submitted after filing of a Notice of Appeal on November 30, 2005 following a Final Office Action mailed on August 30, 2005 ("Office Action"). Applicants respectfully request entry of the accompanying Remarks and Amendments.

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Remarks begin on page 9.

Applicants believe that no extensions of time are required at this time. However, if extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to **Deposit Account No. 19 – 0089.**

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